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Hon. Meenakshi Srinivasan
Chair
Landmarks Preservation Commission
Municipal Building, 9th floor
One Centre Street
New York, NY 10007

Re: Burlington Coat Factory Sign – 695-709 Sixth Avenue

Dear Chair Srinivasan:

At a regular Board meeting on October 1, 2014, Manhattan Community Board 4 voted to recommend approval of an application to the Landmarks Preservation Commission for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the referenced sign, which is in violation of the maximum projection and height limitations of the Zoning Resolution of the City of New York. This vote reflects the recommendation of the CB4 Chelsea Land Use Committee which voted on this application on September 15, 2014.

Considering the sign's over nineteen years of presence and established importance to the advertised tenant's economics, and considering the tenant's contribution to employment and commerce in the community, the Board holds that an exception to the projection and height limitations is warranted for the duration of Burlington's tenancy in the building. The Board does not hold that a different sign would be similarly appropriate and thus recommends that the Certificate of Appropriateness be restricted to this particular sign. The Board anticipates that if and when it receives an application to the Department of City Planning for a special permit under ZR 74-711, the Board will recommend that the special permit be limited to the tenancy of Burlington, and that it terminate when Burlington vacates its space and removes its sign.

Sincerely,

Christine Berthet
Chair

J. Lee Compton
Co-Chair
Chelsea Land Use Committee

Betty Mackintosh
Co-Chair
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